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### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office action mailed June 5, 2001, Applicants provisionally elect Group I, i.e., Claims 15, 16 and 24 drawn to a method for treatment of cystic fibrosis, with traverse. Further elected with traverse is the compound 4-phenyl-A3-transbutenoic acid to satisfy the species election requirement.

#### REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement.